

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 FREETO 01129 151341Z

40

ACTION AF-06

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 L-03 NSC-05 PM-04 CIAE-00

DODE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-01 USIA-06 PRS-01 SP-02

EB-07 AID-05 TRSE-00 COME-00 IO-13 /071 W

----- 079744

P R 151320Z APR 76

FM AMEMBASSY FREETOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2958

INFO AMEMBASSY ACCRA

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE FREETOWN 1129

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN EAID AORG (AFDB) SL GH LY

SUBJECT: LIBYAN PRESSURE ON SIERRA LEONE REGARDING PRESIDENCY
OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

1. LIBYAN DELEGATION VISITED FREETOWN IN EARLY APRIL
AS FOLLOW UP TO VISIT IN DECEMBER 1975. DISCUSSIONS OSTENSIBLY
CENTERED ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A BANK IN SIERRA LEONE WITH
LIBYAN MONEY. NATURE OF PROPOSAL, WHETHER COMMERCIAL BANK OR
DEVELOPMENT BANK, IS UNCLEAR, APPARENTLY EVEN TO LIBYANS.
LIBYANS PROPOSED SENDING TEAM IN JULY TO FURTHER STUDY BANK
PROPOSAL.

2. REAL THRUST OF VISIT, HOWEVER, ACCORDING RELIABLE SOURCES,
WAS LIBYAN PRESSURE TO GAIN SIERRA LEONE PROMISE TO SUPPORT
LIBYAN CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF AFDB. (VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE
LATER THIS MONTH PRIOR TO ANY LIBYAN NEED TO MAKE ANY REAL
COMMITMENT ON BANK PROJECT). SIERRA LEONE LAST YEAR
SUPPORTED GHANAIAAN CANDIDATE AND HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO DO SO
AGAIN. GHANAIAAN HIGH COMMISSIONER HAS INFORMED AMBASSADOR
THAT, ALTHOUGH GOG HAD LETTER SIGNED BY PRESIDENT STEVENS
PROMISING GOSL SUPPORT FOR GHANAIAAN, DISCUSSIONS

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 FREETO 01129 151341Z

EARLIER THIS WEEK BY VISITING GOG COMMISSIONER FOR

FOREIGN AFFAIRS FELLI MADE CLEAR THAT GOSL BACKING
OUT OF COMMITMENT TO EMBARRASSMENT SOME SENIOR GOSL
OFFICIALS.

3. PRESS REPORTS STATE LIBYAN DELEGATION ALSO VISITING
13 OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES.
SAMUELS

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DEVELOPMENT BANKS, ELECTION CANDIDATES, OPENING OF OFFICES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 APR 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ShawDG
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976FREETO01129
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760143-0235
From: FREETOWN
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760459/aaaabxpq.tel
Line Count: 68
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 16 JUN 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <16 JUN 2004 by ElyME>; APPROVED <12 OCT 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LIBYAN PRESSURE ON SIERRA LEONE REGARDING PRESIDENCY OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
TAGS: EFIN, EAID, AORG, SL, GH, LY, AFDB, (AFDB)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006